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PITTSBURGH -- The Pittsburgh District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will update members of the public on the proposed cleanup of the Parks Township Shallow Land Disposal Area at a public meeting Tuesday evening in Parks Township.

The session will begin at 6 p.m. with an open house at the Parks Township Volunteer Fire Department's Social Hall No. 1, on School Street, which was also the site of previous meetings. As before there will be educational displays and representatives of the Corps of Engineers will be on hand to answer individual questions, prior to the opening of a public presentation at 7 p.m. The evening will conclude with a question and answer session.

One key part of the evening will be the discussion of the progress of the remedial investigation phase of the project, where samples have been taken of the air, soil and water in the area. The preliminary results of this sampling will be discussed. At the last public meeting in August, the Corps promised to continue a dialogue with local residents and government officials about the proposed clean-up of the site, where radioactive wastes had been placed in trenches.

The uranium wastes were the result of processing enriched uranium into naval reactor fuel, and were disposed of by the landfill's owner, the Nuclear Materials and Equipment Co (NUMEC) between 1961 and 1970. Responsibility for the site's clean-up was given to the Corps of Engineers by Congress in 1998.